

NEWS FROM RICHMOND AND OTHER PARTS OF VIRGINIA.

TO RICHMOND FOR A BRIDE

A Capital City Belle Weds a Norfolk Man.

A PRETTY MARRIAGE

Opinions Handled Down by the Supreme Court of Appeals - City.

Have no Power to Levy a License Tax Against Brokers-Summary of Proceedings - The United States Circuit Court-Charter Recorded.

(Special London Cable Letter.)

Richmond, Va., Feb. 8.—One of the prettiest marriages that has taken place here in many months was that of Miss Virginia Carter Hayes, a belle of this city, to Mr. Francis Wheatley McCullough, of Norfolk.

The wedding took place at the residence of Mr. James Hayes, father of the bride. The house was exquisitely decorated and presented the appearance of a fairy bower.

The balustrade was entwined with smilax. The same graceful vine hung in festoons on the curtains and screened the glittering mirrors.

Here, there and everywhere were banks of palms and evergreens, while the air was redolent of the fragrance of Madame Trestout roses.

In the front room, between the windows, was an altar covered with white cloth and flanked about with a bower of palms, through which peeped the pink-shaded lamps and candles with their radiant glow. Here the ceremony was performed by Rev. A. S. Lloyd, of New York, formerly of St. Luke's Church, Norfolk. To the strains of Lohengrin, played by Thillow's band, the bride and her maid of honor and sister, Miss Champe Hayes, entered.

At the altar by the groom and his best man, Mr. Hugh G. Whitehead. She was given away by her father.

The costume of the bride was a most exquisite creation. She was attired in white chiffon, over tulle, her bodice draped in rare point lace, and caught with orange blossoms. The veil was fastened with a splendid diamond sunburst, presented by the groom. She carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. Her maid of honor wore a gown of rose-pink chiffon, and carried Trestout roses.

After the ceremony an elegant reception was held in the dining-room, where the decorations were banks of pink roses, rose-colored ribbons and cherry lights.

Miss Virginia Hayes, ever since she made her first bow to society, has been one of Richmond's acknowledged belles. Her fresh girlish beauty, added to her great charm of manner, have attracted hosts of admirers wherever she has visited, and the ranks of Norfolk society will gain a valuable recruit.

Mr. McCullough is one of the most prominent men in Norfolk, and is exceedingly popular in both business and social circles of that city.

Seldom does one see a more magnificent array of presents than those of the popular young couple.

Among some of those present at the wedding were the following:

Mr. and Mrs. James Hayes, the Misses Hayes, Mr. John Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. James Walker, Mr. and Mrs. George Eades, Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. M. A. Downman, Fredericksburg, Va.; Mrs. A. A. McCullough, Norfolk; Mr. James H. Downman, New York; Mr. and Mrs. William Wheatley, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Wheatley, Washington, D. C.; Dr. and Mrs. Henry C. Eno, New York; Mr. George Henry Eno, New York; Mr. George Dominick, New York; Dr. William F. Lockwood, Baltimore; Col. and Mrs. George Taylor, Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. George McIntosh, Norfolk; Mr. Tench Tilghman, Norfolk; Mr. Hugh Whitehead, Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Doyle, Norfolk; Mr. J. Saunders Taylor, Mr. Walter Taylor, Mr. Richard Taylor, Mr. Montgomery Osborn, Mr. Key Compton, Mr. Thomas Tanor, Mr. Frank Wilcox, Mr. Theodore Williams, Mr. D. Puller, Mr. Wallington Hardy, all of Norfolk; Mr. John Whitehead, Johns Hopkins University; Dr. W. L. Harris, Virginia Beach; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Boykin, Smithfield; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bedford, Baltimore; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fairfax, London; Mr. and Mrs. David Tennant, London; Mr. Theodore Garrett, Norfolk; Mr. Dan Morton, Baltimore.

SUPREME COURT OPINIONS.

The Supreme Court to-day handed down several opinions, among them one of considerable importance to brokers, inasmuch as it holds that cities have no power to levy a license tax against them. The case is that of Adkins against the city of Richmond.

THE QUESTION INVOLVED.

The question involved in this case is the validity of the license tax imposed by the city of Richmond upon the plaintiff in error as a merchandise broker, and for the non-payment of which he was prosecuted and fined. In the opinion it is stated that the validity of the tax imposed upon brokers was directly drawn into question and that this court has, therefore, jurisdiction, which the defendant claimed it had not. The ordinance under which the tax was assessed is, as respects the special and limited business of a broker followed by Adkins, a regulation of interstate commerce, and therefore void on account of its repugnance to Art. 1, sec. 8, clause 3, of the Federal Constitution.

According to Supreme Court decisions, a State municipality has no power to tax the agencies or instruments utilized in negotiating sales of property when it could not tax the property itself. This principle is also applicable to brokers as any other agency engaged in interstate commerce. The opinion reads:

"It must be held that the license tax imposed by the city upon the plaintiff in error for the privilege of pursuing

his business was a direct burden upon interstate commerce, and was, therefore, beyond the power of the city. The judgment of the Hastings Court must be reversed, the verdict of the jury set aside and a new trial awarded the plaintiff in error."

SUMMARY.

A summary of the proceedings of the court is as follows:

Painter and als. vs. St. Clair and als. Circuit Court of Pulaski county. Reversed. Judge James Keith, p.

Adkins & Co. vs. city of Richmond. Hastings Court of the city of Richmond. Reversed. Judge John W. Riley.

C. & O. Railway Co. vs. Jennings. Circuit Court of Fluvanna county. Affirmed. Judge R. H. Caldwell.

Duncan vs. city of Lynchburg. Writ of error to a judgment of the Corporation Court of the city of Lynchburg. Affirmed. Judge A. Buchanan.

Richmond Traction Co. vs. Murphy. Hastings Court of the city of Richmond. Amended and affirmed. Judge George M. Harrison.

Calloway vs. Saunders. Circuit Court of Franklin county. Appeal and supersedeas. No bond.

Richmond Railway and Electric Company vs. Richmond city. Hastings Court of the city of Richmond. Writ of error. Bond \$100.

White, trustee vs. Johnson. Law and Equity Court of the city of Norfolk. Appeal awarded. Bond \$200.

Richmond city vs. Epps. Hastings Court of the city of Richmond. Writ of error and supersedeas. Bond \$1,800.

Catherine Cash vs. Humphreys, receiver, etc. Circuit Court of Bedford county. Appeal. Bond, \$150.

Lee, Taylor & Sneed vs. Willis. Circuit Court of Franklin county. Appeal. Bond, \$150.

John Freeman vs. Commonwealth. Circuit Court of the city of Richmond. Writ of error denied.

Lawrence vs. Commonwealth. County Court of Nansemond county. Writ of error refused.

Silverthorn Co. vs. Williams. Corporation Court of Lynchburg. Writ of error refused.

Lipscomb vs. Coor's ex'or, &c. Circuit Court of King William county. Appeal refused.

Moore vs. Pollock's ex'or. Circuit Court of Fauquier county. Writ of error refused.

Toney vs. Southern Railway Co. Circuit Court of Danville. Writ of error refused.

Stuart's ex'or vs. Peyton. Petition to rehear. Petition refused.

Hirth vs. Hirth. Argued by Hill Carter for plaintiff in error and Judge Christian and R. B. Davis for defendant in error and submitted.

Vashon's ex'ors vs. Vashon, &c. Submitted.

Carpenter & Co. vs. Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. Argued by G. M. Dillard and continued until to-morrow.

Smith & others vs. Miller, trustee, and Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. of New York vs. Rutherford, Nos. 43 and 49 on argument docket, are the next cases to be called.

U. S. CIRCUIT COURT.

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals was in session to-day, with Judges Goff, Morris and Brawley on the bench. The proceedings were as follows:

No. 331. William B. Strang, Jr., appellant, vs. Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company et als., appellees, appeal from the Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, at Richmond; argued by D. Lawrence Grover for appellant, and by W. H. McKenney for appellee. Pending the argument, court adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

No. 340. Bradley Salt Company, plaintiff, in error, vs. Norfolk Importing and Exporting Company, defendant in error to Circuit Court for the Eastern district of Virginia, at Norfolk, will be the next case for argument.

CHARTER RECORDED.

The charter of the Norfolk Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company was recorded in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth this morning. The incorporators are Messrs. J. P. Andre Mott, Henry Seymour, J. A. C. Groner, R. K. Cralle and B. A. Colonna. The capital stock is to be not less than \$25,000, nor more than \$300,000.

CAPE CHARLES.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS—WHITE RIBBONS—PERSONAL.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Cape Charles, Va., Feb. 8.—The City Council at its regular meeting this week passed a resolution to draft a bill to be presented to the Legislature, the object of which is to get the privilege for Cape Charles to issue bonds to the amount of \$10,000 for the purpose of increasing the water supply and establishing a sewerage system whenever deemed necessary.

Mrs. C. P. Hughes, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Duer, has returned home from a visit to Pocomoke City.

The Eastern Shore District Convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will convene in Bethany M. E. Church on February 21st and 22d. The State president and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Howard M. Hoge, will be present and make addresses the evening of the 21st.

Mr. W. T. Townsend, the assessor of personal property for Cape Charles, entered upon his duties yesterday.

Bethany Epworth League held quite an interesting meeting at the church Monday evening.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Bethany M. E. Church met this evening at the home of Mrs. E. W. Palmer. Refreshments were served and a pleasant evening was spent.

Mrs. P. W. Savage, who has been critically ill for some weeks, is, we are glad to state, much improved. Strong hopes are entertained for her ultimate recovery.

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SUFFOLK.

The Beale Murder Case in Isle of Wight Court.

Star Witness For Prosecution Testifies—Evidence Considered Weak—An Elongation—Savage—Johnson—Nuptial—Honors Conferred on a Mason—Personals.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Suffolk, Va., Feb. 8.—At Isle of Wight courthouse to-day several more links were welded to the chain of evidence which is connecting Sam Beale with the murder of Patrick McDonald last April. This was the fourth day of the trial, which is now the chief topic of interest in this section.

Beale was brought into court this morning from the county jail, a few paces off. Last night was the first time prison bolts had shut off Beale from skylight. Beale had a horror of jails. His friends had stood by him loyally all along, and were willing to come up with further security. But Judge Atkinson's ruling made it useless.

THE STAR WITNESS.

The testimony of Luke Warren, who has been the State's star witness so far, was completed this morning. Warren was introduced yesterday.

He claimed to have been an eye witness to the tragedy and the causes which led to its consummation.

He testified that Beale struck McDonald and afterwards called to Ed. White, asking him to go with himself (Beale) and help him do McDonald.

Counsel for the defense claim that Warren's testimony was not as strong as it was against James Brittle, who is now serving a five years' term in State's prison for being an accessory.

FINDING THE BODY.

L. H. Johnson, who lives near the Norfolk and Western railroad tracks, told of the body of McDonald being found.

James H. Holland, a section foreman on the Norfolk and Western, related that the victim's legs had been cut off by the train. There was scarcely any blood.

Justice John H. Holland, who held the inquest, told of holes in the victim's coat and other facts about the examination.

Dr. Gavin Rawls, of Carrsville, will be among the witnesses who will be called to-morrow. He made a professional examination of the body. His evidence will prove that the body had been dead some time before it was laid on the tracks.

It is possible that the State will finish its side to-morrow, but not certain. There are about a dozen witnesses to come for the defense.

The defendant looked worn when first brought into court, but soon regained his usual composure. He was even said to have looked at times more cheerful than his custom.

ELOPED FROM SOUTHAMPTON.

Because of possible objection among the home folks a young couple of Southampton lovers eloped to Nansemond and were to-day married at 10:30 o'clock by the Rev. H. H. Butler. Besides the coming to Nansemond gave a blend of romance to the affair.

The principals were Lynn H. Hundley, a farmer, who lives near Courtland, and Miss Bettie Laine, a sister of the late Rev. W. J. Laine, whose home was in Suffolk. The ceremony was performed at the residence of Lonnie White, who lives near Bethlehem Church, about five miles from Suffolk. When it was over Mr. and Mrs. Hundley left for Southampton.

SAVAGE—JOHNSON.

At 2:30 o'clock this afternoon Miss Mattie R. Johnson, of Norfolk, daughter of Mrs. Amanda M. Johnson, of Suffolk, was wedded to William T. Savage, of this county, N. C. Rev. H. H. Butler performed the ceremony at the home of Section Master Fred Taylor, of the Norfolk and Western railroad. A reception was held to-night in Gates county.

MASONIC DOINGS.

The Masons had a big time to-day at Newsum's Va. Newsom Lodge, No. 128, A. F. and A. M., together with a number of men from other lodges, met and conferred a past master's jewel on District Deputy Grand Master James E. Sebrrell, of Courtland, Va.

The presentation speech was well made by the Rev. T. O. Edwards, of Boykins, Va. Mr. Sebrrell responded feelingly. Aside from being a mark of honor, the jewel is a beautiful piece of work.

Dr. W. B. Barham is master of Newsum's lodge. Among the Masons present from other points were: W. G. Elam, Suffolk; R. F. Howell and Charles Bell, Franklin; John N. Sebrrell, Jr., and Charles H. Sebrrell, Courtland. A satisfying dinner was served. Lodge work in the third degree was done.

A VETERAN BURIED.

The funeral of the late William B. Powell took place to-day in the county, a few miles from Suffolk. Rev. H. H. Butler preached it. Ten members of the Tom Smith Camp of Confederate Veterans, to which the deceased belonged, attended. Mr. Powell was a member during the Civil war of the Sixth Virginia regiment of Infantry.

A WOMAN TREASURER.

Miss Nellie L. Baker, treasurer of the company presenting "An Indiana Romance," is at present the only woman in the United States who is considered thoroughly posted on the business connected with a company. She has to

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"A COUNTRY VISITOR."

Farmer Harry Green and a supporting company of fair ability, presented "A Country Visitor" at the City Hall Theatre this evening. Some of the scenes were laugh-producers—that was all. The orchestra did very well, and the specialties—some of them—were of average strength.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Harry Karp arrived in Suffolk to-night. To-morrow he will call on some professional and business men in the interests of the Virginian-Pilot's Twentieth Century Edition, which will be a great medium for advertisers.

Rev. W. W. Gaines' wife has returned from Norfolk, where a doctor was consulted.

The Uniform Rank of Pythians will meet Friday night over the postoffice.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Bradshaw, of Elwood, visited Suffolk friends to-day.

Dr. J. M. Gibson returned to-day from Richmond, where he had been with a patient.

Town Treasurer Lotzia has been ill several days.

Miss Estelle Darden returned from Smithfield, where she visited her sister, Mrs. J. S. Marshall.

Mr. W. T. Johnson has recovered from his late illness.

The Woodmen expect to initiate thirty-two new members to-morrow night. Some Norfolk officers will attend.

Mrs. Emerson Tracey, a great granddaughter of Ethan Allen, was in Suffolk to-night. She lives in Boston.

PETERSBURG.

NEWS JOTTINGS FROM ALONG THE APPOMATTOX.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 8.—News was received here to-day of a fatal accident, which occurred last evening at the saw mill of Mr. G. L. Gilliam, near Yale, in Sussex county. The belt had slipped from the "governor" and the sawyer at the mill, Luther Wells, attempted to shut off the steam, when the large fly wheel of the engine suddenly burst, a piece of which struck Mr. Wells in the right side and passed through the body, literally cutting the trunk in two. The engine was badly damaged by the explosion.

Mr. L. H. Tabb, of New York, has sold to Mr. W. M. Steine, of Dinwiddie county, the timber on the Gilliam mansion tract, near Dinwiddie courthouse, containing about two hundred acres. The price paid was not learned.

The track of the Petersburg railroad (which road forms a part of the Atlantic Coast Line), south from Carson, in Dinwiddie county, about eleven miles in length, which has been abandoned for the new line, which has recently been completed, is now being taken up. The new line just completed shortens the road a little over one mile.

Mr. Jake Wells and Mr. Cardozo, of Richmond, managers of the Virginia State Baseball League, were in the city to-day conferring with Mr. H. E. Edwards, manager of the Southern Railway and Development Company, relative to arranging for baseball in Petersburg next season. Mr. F. M. Foster, of Lexington, Va., has secured the Petersburg franchise and will manage the Petersburg team next season. The Southern Railway and Development Company has secured an option on the baseball park at the head of Washington street, or, in other words, has practically secured it.

There seems no reason to doubt that this marks the beginning of work on the steel plant, which Mr. Huntington has had under consideration for so long. This at any rate is believed here, and real estate has been affected accordingly.

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tionally rented the park and will shortly begin to put the grounds in thorough order.

The new car shed being built on Chappell street for the Southern Railway and Development Company is expected to be ready for occupancy by the first week in March next. The building is to be fire-proof throughout and will cost about \$30,000.

A revival meeting will be begun next week at the Second Baptist Church, to be conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. D. Harte, assisted by Rev. Mr. Lawless, of Franklin, Va.

As a matter of some interest it may be stated that there are twenty churches and one Jewish synagogue in Petersburg, including Ettrick, Chesterfield county, just across the river from the city. There are three Presbyterian churches, four Baptist, four Episcopalians, seven Methodist, one Christian and one Catholic. Each of these churches has a large membership. The above does not include the colored churches.

Mr. Mike Burgin, of Richmond, is to take charge of the New Market race track, in Prince George county, a short distance from Petersburg, on the first of March next. Mr. Burgin will use the track, which is owned by Mr. G. A. Fitz, of Petersburg, for training horses for races.

A. P. Hill Camp, of Confederate Veterans, of Petersburg, will probably attend the re-union of Confederate Veterans of the South at Louisville in May next. No formal action, however, has yet been taken by the camp.

The Prospect Brewing Company, of Philadelphia, is to establish a branch establishment in Petersburg. The Appomattox Hotel building, on Bollingbrook street, which is now unoccupied, is owned by this company.

A big dance was given last night at Mr. Downing's, in Chesterfield county, just across the river from Petersburg, which was very largely attended.

Mr. J. W. Phillips and family, formerly of Petersburg, now of Norfolk, are here on a visit.

HICKORY.

A BRILLIANT MARRIAGE—PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Hickory, Va., Feb. 8.—At Centreville Baptist Church yesterday, Rev. C. D. Crowley, of Richmond, united Miss Minnie May Cooper and Mr. J. J. Morse, Jr., in the holy bonds of wedlock.

The bride looked lovely in a traveling suit of tailor-made brown broadcloth with hat and gloves to match. She carried Bride roses.

Mr. John Dunbar, of Norfolk, officiated as best man, and Messrs. J. A. Roberts, James Woodard and Norman Wood as ushers.

The church was handsomely decorated with palms, ferns and potted plants for the occasion.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Morse left for the North via the Bay Line, intending to visit New York, and, possibly, Canada. On their return they will reside at the corner of Main and Broadway streets.

The new store of Mr. George A. Wilson is nearly completed.

The farmers are nearly through shipping corn, and are much better satisfied, having received a better price for their corn than last year.

Mr. L. M. Nicholas left to-day for Norfolk, on business.

Mr. W. L. Northern was in our town yesterday on business, and left this morning for home.

NEWPORT NEWS.

WORK THAT FORESHADOWS A STEEL PLANT.

(Special to Virginian-Pilot.)

Newport News, Va., Feb. 8.—A survey has just been made of the water-bed facing the triangle of land adjoining and just north of the shipyard. It is understood that plans are also being prepared for bulkheading this property, preparing to fill in. When the tract is filled in, there will be a hundred acres of it.

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